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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Amendment is responsive to the outstanding Office Action mailed June 16, 2006, and identified as paper no. 20060606. A one month extension fee of \$120.00 [fee code 1251] under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1) is being paid electronically by credit card. If any additional fee is required for entry of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account 06-0029 and is requested to notify us of the same.

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